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The disappointment felt at only getting one point against Burnley is still with me as I write these notes and wonder, as the snow falls if we shall have made the trip to Newcastle let alone played there, by the time you read these notes.

Even so, I, and I'm sure you, was much happier with our effort against Burnley on a day when anything less than total commitment would have seen us swept aside by a team that is buzzing a bit. I'm sure you'll agree if you watched them on TV against Liverpool that they did very well there (as we did ourselves of course) until the later stages and could well have had goals themselves. Even so, we could have had three points which we wanted badly for you — the faithful. We all know the facts of football life but it certainly makes you think when 3,000 or more fans "desert" you in just the space of 4 home games. Now of course we've got to battle on to try to produce the results that will encourage those not here the other week to return.

We have 15 games left of which, including today's, 7 are at home and above all else we want to produce the same results that we produced in the last third of last season. I'm sure that if we can get the goals in at their end that we can do just that. I'm sure even our hardest critics will agree that things have not exactly gone for us in finishing this season so far but we'll continue to plug away in training to get it right — let's hope that today is a case in point.

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BACK ROW: Gerry McElhinney, Paul Jones, Jim McDonagh, Simon Farnworth, Ian Moores, Steve Whitworth.

BOLTON WANDERERS

A win at Oldham in their last away game gave Bolton Wanderers a welcome boost as they strive to avoid being dragged into the relegation battle just a year after a close shave in 1981/2 when they ended up just two points clear of a return to Division Three.

Today's visitors are of course one of the twelve original members of the Football League and have during that time had rather mixed experiences. In only the third season of the Football League they ended up in third place in 1891/2 and have not since come as near to the First Division Championship.

They have, however won the F.A. Cup on four occasions, virtually dominating the competition in the twenties when after winning that first-ever Wembley final in 1923 and repeated this success in both 1926 and 1929, with goalkeeper DICK PYM keeping a clean sheet in all three finals. Their most recent win was in 1958 when they beat the Munich-ravaged Manchester United 2-0 in an emotional final when it was England cap EDDIE HOPKINSON's turn to keep a clean sheet.

Over the years they have frequently bobbled between Divisions One and Two, this being their eighth spell in the latter. They have spent a total of 58 seasons in Division One, however, the longest of these lasting from 1935 to 1964, but they have returned there only briefly since and it was soon after slipping to Division Two in 1964 that their slide continued and they experienced their one and only spell in Division Three.

They emerged from this in 1973 and in 1978 they won the Second Division Championship. They struggled again in Division One and 1979/80 saw them in bottom position without a single

away win. In the last two seasons they have ended up in 18th and 19th positions in Division Two respectively, staying up last season with a brave rally when after crashing 7-1 at Q.P.R. they beat both Derby and Sheffield Wednesday in the space of seven days and edged in front of Cardiff City.

THIS SEASON

In the present campaign they fared badly in away games after early-season draws at Burnley and Carlisle, but since early December they have lost only once on their travels and a fortnight ago chalked up their first away win since mid-April. This was at Oldham with last season's top scorer CHRIS THOMPSON, ex-Leeds winger JEFF CHANDLER and youth team product WAYNE FOSTER on the mark.

Home form was shaky in the early months of the season, but a recent run of five successive wins at Burnden Park ended with a 1-0 defeat by Fulham, an experienced defence keeping three successive clean sheets up to the Fulham game. Goalkeeper JIM McDONAGH, back for his second spell after a season with Everton, of course needs no introduction to our fans but he recently achieved something none of us saw him do in the course of nearly 150 league games for us — he actually scored a goal with a long clearance against Burnley in January.

In front of him MIKE DOYLE is of course the former Manchester City, Stoke and England man, STEVE WHITWORTH, another former England man with substantial previous spells at Leicester

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and Sunderland and PAUL JONES a one-club man with over 450 games behind him.

NEIL WHATMORE, now back from Birmingham for a second spell at Burnden Park, brings further experience to midfield or front line while DAVID HOGGAN and ex-Manchester City man TONY HENRY are midfielders who can score goals. Nor can one discount the possibility of manager JOHN MCGOVERN appearing as a player after nearly 600 league games he is still well able to hold his own in midfield or defence and as recently as last season appeared in 30 First Division games for Nottingham Forest.

JIM McDONAGH (Goalkeeper). In his second spell with Bolton. Jim rejoined the Wanderers during the summer of 1981 from Everton after a season at Goodison Park. The former Rotherham keeper was a member of Bolton's Second Division Championship winning side in 1978. Republic of Ireland International.

GERRY McELHINNEY (Defender). Signed from Distillery at the beginning of the 80/81 season, a former Gaelic footballer and amateur boxer, who made his debut for the Wanderers soon after signing. An aggressive, enthusiastic defender who just failed to make the Northern Ireland World Cup squad.

PAUL JONES (Defender). Re-signed for Wanderers within weeks of being released on a free transfer during the summer. Paul is a quick tackling defender who has been a member of the Under-23 and full England squads. He is a commanding player in the air as well as on the ground and has a habit of scoring vital goals. Can also play at full back and is Wanderers longest serving player.

MIKE DOYLE (Defender). Veteran former Manchester City and England defender, joined the Wanderers in January from Stoke City for a "nominal fee". Doyle made a dramatic start to his Bolton days conceding an own goal on his debut and being sent off in his second game, but he brought a steadying influence to the Bolton line-up and his composure has been a tremendous asset.

TONY HENRY (Full Back/Midfield). Signed for £125,000 from Manchester City. Tony was one of the unsung heroes of Manchester City's revival last season, he came on as substitute in Manchester City's FA Cup Final appearance in 1981. Versatile player who is bound to be a useful acquisition to the Club.

WAYNE FOSTER (Striker). A former local schoolboy, Foster came on to the Wanderers' scene last season and commanded a regular place in the attack. Recognised at representative level. Foster got his first England Youth cap in Scotland in a European Championship qualifier.

MIKE BENNETT (Defender). A member of the successful England Youth Squad which won the 1980 European Youth Championships in East Germany, Mick is quickly establishing himself as one of the most promising defenders in the game. Has played at full back and midfield. Bolton born, he joined the Wanderers as a schoolboy.

DAVID HOGGAN (Midfield). Joined Bolton from Tynecastle Boys Club, Edinburgh as an apprentice in November 1977 and signed full professional forms in August 1979. Made his League debut in the First Division at Bristol City in April 1980. Won International recognition with the Scottish Under-21's Squad.

STEVE WHITWORTH (Defender). Joined Bolton for a bargain £25,000 from Sunderland in October 1981. A stylish, experienced full back with well over 400 League appearances behind him. Whitworth earned seven England caps in his Leicester City days.

IAN MOORES (Forward). Joined Wanderers in the summer on a free transfer after 4 seasons at Orient. The 6ft 2in blond striker made his name with Stoke when he joined as a teenager, and Spurs, where he enjoyed a successful two years. At present on loan to Barnsley.

RAY DEAKIN (Defender). A left full back who can also play in midfield, Ray joined the Wanderers in the summer on a free transfer from Port Vale. Began his career with Everton.

JOHN MCGOVERN (Midfield). Taking his first steps into management, John was appointed Wanderers Player/Manager in June. One of the games most respected players, he has won League Championship honours with Derby County and Nottingham Forest — whom he also led as captain to two European Cup and two Football League Cup successes.

NEIL BERRY (Defender). International Youth honours with Scotland launched Neil into what promises to be a first class career. His League debut came in March at Cambridge where he played in midfield.

SIMON FARNWORTH (Goalkeeper). Simon has shown enough talent and composure in his formative years to persuade the Wanderers to appoint an understudy to Jim McDonagh and release the highly experienced Dennis Peacock who returned to Doncaster.

CHRIS THOMPSON (Striker/Midfield). A speedy attacker with plenty of skill. Chris joined the Wanderers from school. He became an apprentice and then went on to sign full professional forms in July 1977. Has represented England at Youth level. He was the Club's leading scorer last season.

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LOOKING BACK

THIRTY YEARS AGO

We were involved in a 1-1 draw here with West Ham in a Second Division game on February 21, 1953. Both teams missed chances before JIMMY ANDREWS put the visitors ahead from a penalty after ten minutes. Soon afterwards we too were awarded a spot kick, but NORMAN NOBLE's shot was saved by ERNIE GREGORY. Soon afterwards GLADSTONE GUEST headed against the bar and it was a relief for us when JACK SHAW equalised after the interval. Teams:

ROTHERHAM: Quairney; Selkirk, Silman, Edwards, Noble, Williams, Grainger, Shaw, Farmer, Guest, Rickett.

WEST HAM: Gregory (E); Bond, Kinsell, Parker, Brown, O'Farrell, Woodgate, Gregory (J), Kearns, Andrews, Hooper.

Attendance: 14,700.

We were now tenth in Division Two while today's visitors Bolton were in a similar position in Division One after a goalless draw with Aston Villa at Burnden Park. At the top of Division One leaders Burnley won 3-1 at Derby but Wolves stayed a point behind them after a spectacular 3-0 win at Old Trafford. Fourth place Preston drew a humdinger of a game at White Hart Lane 4-4. TOM FINNEY and CHARLIE WAYMAN were amongst the North End scorers while LEN DUQUEMIN got a hat-trick for Spurs.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

After not playing a league game since the home defeat by Stoke City on Boxing Day we had to wait another week to resume activities at Norwich. We were one of many teams whose games were postponed on February 16, 1963 and so stayed just above mid-table in Division Two.

Today's visitors Bolton were involved in one of the 11 Football League games actually played on this particular day. Considering that they had not played for over two months Wanderers put up a bright performance at Highbury and in fact led 2-1 at one stage with goals from FREDDY HILL and DENNIS BUTLER. In the end Arsenal won 3-2 with GEORGE ARMSTRONG getting their matchwinner.

Bolton were now just above the relegation zone in Division One where Fulham and Orient fought out a 1-1 draw with JOHNNY HAYNES playing his first game since being injured in a car crash six months earlier.

Third Division leaders Peterborough went down 3-1 at home to Wrexham and this raised the hopes of Swindon and Northampton, who were not in action but were handily placed with games in hand.

TEN YEARS AGO

We went down to our fourth defeat in a row, 4-1 at Plymouth in a Third Division game on February 17, 1973. BOBBY HAM got our consolation goal with STEVE DAVEY and ALAN WELSH getting two goals each for the home side, leaving us just below the halfway mark in Division Three. Teams:

PLYMOUTH: Furnell; Provan, Sullivan, Hore, Saxton, Hague, Machin, Davie, Hinch, Welsh, Latcham.

ROTHERHAM: McDonough; Leng, Breckin, Ferguson, Mielczarek, Wilkinson (Womble), O'Grady, Bentley, Gilbert, Ham, Mullen.

Attendance: 8,454.

Bournemouth moved above Bolton at the top of our Division with PHIL BOYER getting one of the goals before a gate of over 18,000 at Dean Court while in Division One Arsenal needed a MALCOLM MANLEY own goal to earn them the points against Leicester. Even so, they moved further ahead of Liverpool at the top of the table, the latter drawing 1-1 at Maine Road. PHIL BOERSMA levelled the scores after TOMMY BOOTH had scored for City and TOMMY BOOTH was sent off in the second half.

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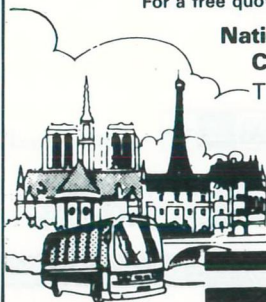
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Total	15	7	5	3	22	16

We have also beaten the Trotters twice in the League Cup, 2-0 at Burnden Park in Dec 1960 and 1-0 at Millmoor in Sept 1969, that after two drawn games.

National Federation of Football Supporters Clubs

We recently played host to the Northern Division Quarterly meeting at Sacha's on Sunday February 6th. Delegates from various Supporters Clubs in the Northern area gathered to discuss the business of the day.

One item forthcoming was that the Annual Northern Division AGM will be held at Scarborough on Saturday May 28th or Saturday June 4th, subject to venue availability. This will be followed by a Social evening, which will include The Northern Division Miss Football Final, the winner going forward to the National Final, Individual and Team Quiz. Overnight accommodation is being sought so delegates and members can enjoy a weekend if so desirable. On the Sunday, May 28th or June 5th, it was proposed to hold the Northern Division's annual 7-a-side football competition, with the final, probably, on Scarborough F.C.'s ground.

We have entered teams for both the quiz and 7-a-side football, watch this space for further details.

Finally I would like to thank Sacha's for hosting the meeting, Val Lunn for catering and the committee for making it a very successful afternoon.

Continuation of our Post War Millers Statistical Records

Allan Blahemon. Centre Forward. Born Oldham 2.11.37. Played for the Manchester County F.A. whilst playing to Ashton United, where he was spotted by the Millers, whilst playing in a friendly against us in March 1958. Signed professional in May 1958, he stayed only seven months, leaving for Workington in Jan 1959 then moved on to Southport in July 1959. Millers app. 2. Goals 0. Workington app. 14. Goals 8. Southport app. 0.

Ron Bolton. Goalkeeper. Born Rotherham 1.9.21. Steelworker by trade signed part-time for the Millers during the War from local football. Made his debut in 1948, on his return from the Army when regular keeper Warnes was injured. Not among the heavyweights as goalkeepers go, but very agile. Regular keeper in the 1950/1 3rd Div North Championship side. Played his last game in 1954/5. Millers his only professional club appearances 150.

Ken Bower. Centre-Forward. Born Huddersfield 18.3.26. Signed from Darlington in July 1949, as a replacement for the recently departed Wally Adron, joining Darlington in Jan 1947. Played in only the following season for the Millers, 1949/50. Darlington app. 75. Goals 35. Millers app. 27. Goals 11. Finally Congratulations to our treasurer, Howard Ratcliffe who is getting married today, to Linda Cheeseman at Whitton Methodist Church. We wish them all the best for a successful day and future happiness.

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Our Junior "Its a Knockout" and Gala, will take place on Millmoor, on Sunday 8th May (fixtures permitting), starting at 2 p.m. Everyone at Millers United would like to thank the Chairman, Anton Johnson, for allowing the use of the ground for this event, which is our largest fund-raising event of the year.

Anyone interested in having stall-space, or any local charitable organisation wanting to raise monies, contact Dave on Workop 770497 as soon as possible for full details.

Teenager's Disco

A week on Tues, 1st march, our Junior Committee will be holding a Disco in the Social Club down Millmoor Lane.

This will be for all Teenagers. This has been arranged by teenagers, for teenagers. DJ will be our own resident "Cuddly Nicky" Cook.

It will start at 7 p.m. and finish at 10 p.m. Admission is only 25p. Tickets on sale from any Junior Committee member or pay at the door.

Before this, we will be holding a meeting this Tues 22nd Feb, for all members. Hopefully, we hope to have a few of the Millers players in

attendance plus a Disco. Starts at 7 p.m. in the Social Club. New members and parents will be made welcome.

Awayday to QPR

We are now taking bookings for the away game at Queens Park Rangers on Sat 19th March. Anyone wishing to go with us, contact Cliff on Rthm 555362 for more details. Also Cliff informs me that there are still a few seats left for the trip to Wembley on Sat 11th June to see the Schoolboy International England v Scotland.

"NAME THAT TEAM" COMPETITION

This is the 2nd picture in the competition for all Millers United members.



Question

Which team does the keeper play for, and what was the final score of the game played at Millmoor last season? Also, who is the Miller's player being "chinned"?

Save your answers until the 6th picture has been shown, along with the appropriate programmes and have the chance to be the lucky winner of an action packed album, donated and compiled by John Dodds (Rthm 75380), Rotherham United's Official Photographer.

Today's Mascot is 8 years old JASON BRYAN

Jason attends Brinsworth Whitehill Junior School and his hobbies include playing football, watching the Millers and collecting anything to do with E.T.

His favourite Miller is Emlyn Hughes.



ALSO

The 2 young supporters in the Director's box at today's game are Craig Goult and John Reed, who were winners of our recent "Afternoon with Anton" competition.

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Second Division leading scorer KEVIN DRINKELL took his tally to 20 last week when getting both goals in Grimsby's 2-1 win over Chelsea. Though they have picked up only one point in ten away games since September the Mariners are amongst the most consistent home teams in Division Two with five wins and two draws in their last seven games at Blundell Park.

Little is going right for Chelsea at the moment and since their runaway 6-0 win over Cambridge at Stamford Bridge in mid-January they have lost three away games in a row, all by a 2-1 margin.

They could in fact find themselves involved in a relegation battle in the next few weeks and they are still seeking their first away win since the 3-0 success at Derby on the opening day of the season. On Saturday last they were unlucky to go down to a last-minute goal at Wolverhampton after holding the lead for most of the first half.

The goal that IAN BANNON scored was only the second that the Cumbrians have ever scored at Molineux while BILLY LIVINGSTONE's matchwinner for Wolves after coming on as substitute was his first since netting at the game at Carlisle in October.

After five successive home games without a win Oldham clicked back into form on Saturday with a 3-0 win over Middlesbrough, former Manchester City striker ROGER PALMER chalking up his first goals since the turn of the year. MALCOLM ALLISON's lads have lost only two of their last twelve games, but these have come in successive

away games at Fulham and Oldham.

Cambridge's home game against Leeds on Saturday was their first-ever against our fellow Yorkshiremen and the gate of 6,906 was the highest at the Abbey Stadium since August. Apart from the narrow Milk Cup defeat in the Second Replay against Arsenal Leeds have not lost since January 3 and since their win here in mid-December they have been popular with treble chance fans, chalking up eight draws in the course of 12 league and cup games.

The Second Division suffered worse from the ravages of the weather on Saturday, just four games being played compared with five in Division One, six in Division Three and seven in Division Four.

Amongst the teams in action in Division Three were Cardiff City, whose sixth home win in a row underlined the possibility of them making an immediate return to Division Two just as they did in 1975/76. Another team in the promotion running are Lincoln City, who have not played in Division Two since 1961 and it is now unlikely that any of the five Third Division clubs who have never played in Division Two (Southend, Wigan, Gillingham, Bournemouth and Exeter) will be having that experience next season. Nor do any of the current Second Division clubs who have never played in Division Three (Leicester, Leeds, Newcastle and Chelsea) look in particular danger of going down though Chelsea will feel more comfortable if they can improve on their disappointing away form mentioned above.

Sponsorship

The Football League is still a big money spinner according to figures revealed recently which showed that the game is attracting more money than ever before from big business.

Major Sponsorship of clubs is up by more than 30 per cent this season which sees 48 of the 92 clubs winning financial backing from commercial enterprise.

Graham Kelly the Secretary of the Football League is delighted and says quite firmly: "It demonstrates clearly that a good number of industries have faith in football and in the Football League in particular. And this is not surprising because I think football delivers value for money if we are honest.

"Sponsors get plenty of name exposure through this medium, but more than that it is really the relationship between club and sponsor that is the essence of the thing. It has got to be a business relationship from which both sides benefit."

It was way back in 1977 that football authorities here first tried to give the game a financial transfusion but both the FA and the Football League banned advertising on shirts despite the fact that the practice had worked quite efficiently on the continent without degrading the game in any way.

However the short sightedness of the bureaucracy had been challenged in non-League circles by the then Kettering Town manager Derek Dougan, who forced a breakthrough during the season of 1976-77, by carrying a local firm's name on their club shirts.

Thus the FA agreed to allow non-League clubs to continue the practice on the pretext that it was OK for them to wear advertising as there wasn't the added complication of TV coverage.

Quite ridiculous, as has been seen from recent developments, but there was one commercial manager who was not going to let the shirt ban deter his efforts to attract sponsorship for his club and that was Dudley Kernick at Stoke City.

Stoke Lead

In September 1977 Stoke City announced the details of a two-year sponsorship deal between them and Red Stripe Lager, a company just entering the British market after keeping 80 per cent of the Jamaican public happily doing the limbo.

For programme and ground advertising, plus the availability of the sponsors product in the club bars, Stoke received £20,000, which must be concluded as a good deal from the clubs point of view.

The brewers had first approached Liverpool who had asked for a massive £175,000 for the same package although the Merseyside giants had clearly set their sights lower when two years later they became the first club to stick a slogan on their famous red shirts.

This time Liverpool pulled off the deal with the Japanese TV and electronics giant Hitachi, which netted the Anfield club £50,000 for a one year contract . . . That was in the summer of 1979.

Despite accusations by some misguided individuals that Liverpool had sold English soccer short by trading their influential name for such a meagre sum the rest of football clamoured to follow the Anfield lead, the pattern for football sponsorship was set.

Now clubs from all four divisions of the League enjoy the fruits of sponsorship but the big apple remains the League itself. Sponsorship of the Football League has long been one of Secretary Graham Kelly's ambitions and he admits: "It is an open secret that the League Championship — the four divisional championships are available for sponsorship. We have had talks with a number of companies, national, international and multi-national."

The going rate for sponsoring the League could be in the region of £1 million a year which is pretty cheap when compared with other sporting promotions. Santory, the Japanese brewing and distillery company talk in terms of a £400,000 bill for the World Matchplay Golf Championship and Schweppes found £140,000 to sponsor county cricket which has far less public appeal and a much shorter period for exploitation.

Scotts First

As for a major national football tournament, well it has been done before. The Scottish Cup was first sponsored in 1977-78, by Youngers, the brewery firm, who felt it worth £120,000. And in addition to that the sponsors invested another £30,000 in promoting the tournament.

The first such deal in this country was negotiated last season when the Milk Marketing Board ploughed £2 million into the League Cup — renamed the Milk Cup, in a deal spanning four years.

That is believed to be the biggest sports sponsorship ever clinched in Britain and on the face of it is quite impressive although in real terms it represents a very small financial return to the clubs themselves.

For them the real money must come from individual club sponsorship and already 14 of the 22 First Division clubs have the backing of a commercial enterprise.

Remarkably among those not sponsored are Tottenham Hotspur, West Ham United, Nottingham Forest and Norwich City. Spurs did set out to clinch a superdeal worth £1 million over three years at the beginning of last season, but commercial manager Mike Lewis found the general decline in the world of commerce rather prohibitive.

Big time sponsorship at the moment is dominated by Japanese money and Mr. Lewis makes no secret of the fact that he would "dearly love a British company to step forward," to sponsor the Spurs.

In the meantime English football must warm to the cash influx from the land of the Rising Sun.



Liverpool Remain Favourites in Europe

By Leslie Vernon

Following their rather straightforward defeat against Penarol of Uruguay in the World Club Championship, Aston Villa face another possible painful set-back in the Quarter-finals of the European Cup. They were drawn against the star-studded pre-tournament favourites, Juventus, and the team from Turin represent a formidable obstacle for Tony Barton's side.

Juventus signed Michael Platini from France and Zbigniew Boniek from Poland during the close season, with the specific aim of breaking England's stronghold on this competition. Apart from their foreign imports, they are able to field half of Italy's World Cup winning side, the ageless Zoff in goal, "assassin" Gentile, and Scirea at the back, Tardelli at midfield, and the newly crowned 'European Footballer of the Year', Paolo Rossi, in the forward-line alongside Bettenga.

But there are a few crumbs of comfort for Villa! Juventus are not playing particularly well in the championship, Platini and Rossi are at loggerheads, and the latter isn't scoring as freely as he did last summer in Spain.

Aston Villa are not particularly convincing either at present, and the "Zebras of Torino" must be considered favourites to progress.

On the other hand, Liverpool were handed a virtual walk-over into the semi-finals. They had easy draws in the first two rounds against Dundalk and HJK Helsinki, and now they will face the weakened Widzew Lodz of Poland.

Lodz lost Boniek and several other stars in the summer, and although they were too good in the first two rounds against Hibernian of Malta and Rapid Vienna, with young striker Wipstak scoring a hat-trick against the Maltese, they haven't a hope against Bob Paisley's great team.

I expect a goalless draw in Poland or a narrow Liverpool win, and an easy home triumph at Anfield.

HAMBURG UNBEATEN

Dynamo Kiev will be handicapped in this round by the fact that the Russians do not start their League season until April — friendlies galore are no substitute for the real thing! They will face unbeaten Hamburg, conquerors of

Dynamo Berlin, and Olympiakos of Greece in earlier rounds. Hamburg play 4-4-2, with Milewski and Bastrup upfront, but the spearhead can expect generous support from the midfield and attacking full-back, Manny Kaltz.

Kiev's strongest department is the midfield, with internationals Baltacha, Bal, Burjak and Blochin, still a dangerous raider when in the mood.

The Sporting Lisbon v Real Sociedad tie is a well-matched affair. Sporting, Malcolm Allison's old team, are only third in the table this season, and Sociedad are out of the championship race. Still, they were good enough to k.o. Celtic and to register a 4-0 win over Real Madrid recently. Sporting beat Dynamo Zagreb in the first round on a 3-1 aggregate, and CSKA Sofia in the second on the away goals ruling. Their best forward is Oliveira, while the ace in the Sociedad forward-line is the tall international, Satrustegui.

While English interest is strong in the European Cup, there is no Football League club left in the Cup Winners' Cup or UEFA-Cup. But in the "Recopa", as the Cup Winners' Cup is known on the Continent, Britain still have Aberdeen, and they will meet Bayern Munich in the Quarter-Finals.

The West German Cup holders played very well against Tottenham in an earlier round, Paul Breitner marshalled the midfield with authority, and both Dieter Hoeness and Karl-Heinz Rummenigge were lethal finishers. But Aberdeen have a solid workmanlike team with Strachan the pick of the bunch, and they will be a hard nut to crack for the West Germans.

A rather intriguing pairing in this competition is the clash between old-time giants Inter Milan and Real Madrid. Both teams have a glorious past history in European football, and Real still dominate the domestic game in Spain. Inter are usually third or fourth on the table, but they are able to field Bordon in goal, who is the eternal reserve for Zoff, Baresi, Orsini, Altobelli and the Brazilian Jury.

Real's stars are the foreigners, Metgod and Stielike and home bred Camacho, Santillana and Juanito. This tie could go either way with Real, the slight favourites.

Paris St. Germain, without Ardiles, will be playing Watershei of Belgium. The latter are playing surprisingly

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Aston Villa's Ken McNought faces a stern test against Juventus.

well in the league, and have already accounted for two poorish teams in this competition. St. Germain registered a double victory over Swansea and beat Lokomotiv Sofia 5-2 on aggregate. Rocheteau and the Dutch Kist are formidable forwards!

SCOTTISH INTEREST

Holders, Barcelona, without Maradona, who suffers from Hepatitis, will play Austria Vienna. The Spanish team were accused of unsporting behaviour last season, and they certainly deserved the criticism for their ghoulis antics at Tottenham.

Their aim is to win the trophy in style this time. They do look stronger than Austria Vienna on paper, but the real test will come later.

Thanks to Dundee United's valiant effort, there is also a British interest in the UEFA-Cup. They will play Bohemians of Prague, currently the premier team of Czechoslovakia, but the task is not beyond Dundee United. They have the scalps of P.S.V. Eindhoven, Stavanger and Werder Bremen, while Bohemians' best victory was against St. Etienne (4-0!).

A strong pairing in this competition is the Roma v Benfica tie. Both teams lead their respective League tables, and the Portuguese team are in particularly impressive form.

Roma k.o'd Ipswich in an earlier round and also beat Cologne, but curiously, v. Norrkopping of Sweden, needed penalty kicks to decide the issue. Valencia are fighting against relegation in Spain, their new manager Miljan Miljanic has a formidable task on his hands. But in this competition, they are still unbeaten, and conceded one goal in six matches. Their opponents, Anderlecht, are prolific scorers (4-0 v Porto, 6-1 v Sarajevo), and will test fully the often crude Valencia defence.

Finally, Kaiserslautern of W. Germany should be too experienced for the Rumanians, Uni. Craiova. European football will come to life again in March, and there is the rich promise of some highly entertaining, exciting encounters. I fully expect Liverpool to keep up the English "tradition" and win the Champions' Cup for this country for the seventh successive year.

The full draw. (Matches to be played March 2 and 16)

QUARTER-FINALS

European Cup	Widzew Lodz	v	Liverpool
	Aston Villa	v	Juventus
	Dynamo Kiev	v	Hamburg
	Sporting Lisbon	v	Real Sociedad
Cup Winners' Cup	Paris St. Germain	v	Watershei
	Austria Vienna	v	Barcelona
	Intermilan	v	Real Madrid
	Aberdeen	v	Bayern Munich
UEFA Cup	Bohemians Pr.	v	Dundee United
	Kaiserslautern	v	Uni. Craiova
	A.S. Roma	v	Benfica
	Valencia	v	Anderlecht



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BACK ON THE GOAL STAND

A Report by Colin Benson



If goals be the life blood of association football, then the English game has been in a drought since the first half of this current season.

As you will see from the table on this page, which charts the ratio of goals scored per game in the English League from 1888 to the half-way stage in this current season of 1982-83, the average has been 2.4 in three of the four divisions, for the first time since the late fifties.

At the half-way mark in the First Division 677 goals were scored to date, the lowest since the season of 1967-68 when the average was 3.03.

It is interesting to note what a dramatic effect the changes to the rules had on the game. In the one season, 5 additional 1,673 goals across the four leagues in the one season, 5.

From 1925-39 the goal returns in the First Division were fairly constant, but during the two years immediately prior to the Second World War.

After the war the figure improved and topped 1,700 for the first time in 1946-47, reaching the best post-war season in 1960-61, when the four divisions reached their highest total.

There then started a dramatic slide and within ten years we were back to the 1920s. The season of 1970-71 produced only 1,089 goals in the First Division — and that was the season of 1924-25 before the off-side Law was changed.

In the Second Division the highest total achieved was way back in 1924-25, when the total was 1,089 goals. The lowest figure recorded since the increase in teams in the division in 1958-59 was 1,089 goals in 1970-71.

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	FIRST DIV.			SECOND DIV.			THIRD DIV. (South)			THIRD DIV. (North)		
Season	Games Plyd.	Goals Scrd.	Av.	Games Plyd.	Goals Scrd.	Av.	Games Plyd.	Goals Scrd.	Av.	Games Plyd.	Goals Scrd.	Av.
1888-89	132	585	4.50									
1889-90	132	611	4.67									
1890-91	132	554	4.20									
1891-92	182	777	4.40									
1892-93	240	936	3.90	132	591	4.48						
1893-94	240	939	3.91	210	894	4.23						
1894-95	240	917	3.80	240	1023	4.33						
1895-96	240	807	3.32	240	943	3.90						
1896-97	240	757	3.12	240	907	3.68						
1897-98	240	724	3.10	240	860	3.45						
1898-99	306	868	2.79	306	1103	3.48						
1899-1900	306	856	2.75	306	984	3.23						
1900-01	306	852	2.75	306	819	2.35						
1901-02	306	840	2.70	306	885	2.45						
1902-03	306	885	2.90	306	940	3.14						
1903-04	306	939	3.30	306	942	3.14						
1904-05	306	904	2.95	306	902	2.94						
1905-06	380	1242	3.26	380	1116	2.93						
1906-07	380	1148	3.02	380	1155	3.02						
1907-08	380	1176	3.09	380	1187	3.12						
1908-09	380	1185	3.11	380	1026	2.70						
1909-10	380	1194	3.14	380	1166	3.06						
1910-11	380	1028	2.70	380	1050	2.76						
1911-12	380	1057	2.78	380	1032	2.71						
1912-13	380	1153	3.03	380	1123	2.95						
1913-14	380	1103	2.90	380	1011	2.66						
1914-15	380	1201	3.16	380	1135	2.98						
1919-20	462	1332	2.88	462	1285	2.78						
1920-21	462	1276	2.76	462	1061	2.29	462	1133	2.45			
1921-22	462	1254	2.71	462	1061	2.29	462	1118	2.41	380	1150	3.02
1922-23	462	1215	2.62	462	1055	2.28	462	1141	2.46	380	1019	2.68
1923-24	462	1142	2.47	462	1125	2.43	462	1176	2.54	462	1150	2.48
1924-25	462	1192	2.58	462	1068	2.31	462	1120	2.42	462	1320	2.85
1925-26	462	1703	3.68	462	1478	3.21	462	1555	3.36	462	1628	3.52
1926-27	462	1668	3.61	462	1668	3.61	462	1592	3.44	462	1692	3.65
1927-28	462	1765	3.82	462	1607	3.47	462	1680	3.63	462	1676	3.62
1928-29	462	1688	3.65	462	1576	3.41	462	1614	3.49	462	1696	3.67
1929-30	462	1758	3.80	462	1513	3.27	462	1632	3.53	462	1681	3.63
1930-31	462	1823	3.94	462	1608	3.48	462	1669	3.61	462	1714	3.70
1931-32	462	1727	3.73	462	1567	3.38	462	1694	3.66	420	1510	3.59
1932-33	462	1645	3.56	462	1542	3.33	462	1634	3.53	462	1691	3.65
1933-34	462	1524	3.29	462	1441	3.11	462	1526	3.30	462	1800	3.89
1934-35	462	1677	3.62	462	1502	3.25	462	1534	3.31	462	1593	3.44
1935-36	462	1556	3.36	462	1533	3.31	462	1497	3.24	462	1533	3.31
1936-37	462	1555	3.36	462	1479	3.20	462	1496	3.23	462	1602	3.46
1937-38	462	1430	3.09	462	1346	2.91	462	1264	2.73	462	1401	3.03
1938-39	462	1418	3.06	462	1441	3.11	462	1319	2.85	462	1609	3.48
1946-47	462	1513	3.27	462	1547	3.35	462	1458	3.15	462	1537	3.32
1947-48	462	1343	2.90	462	1247	2.69	462	1327	2.87	462	1369	2.96
1948-49	462	1303	2.82	462	1303	2.82	462	1347	2.91	462	1301	2.81
1949-50	462	1247	2.69	462	1231	2.66	462	1336	2.89	462	1315	2.84
1950-51	462	1413	3.05	462	1469	3.17	552	1623	2.94	552	1608	2.91
1951-52	462	1490	3.22	462	1488	3.22	552	1740	3.15	552	1658	3.00
1952-53	462	1508	3.26	462	1535	3.32	552	1745	3.16	552	1604	2.90
1953-54	462	1626	3.51	462	1535	3.32	552	1695	3.07	552	1587	2.87
1954-55	462	1572	3.40	462	1597	3.45	552	1677	3.03	552	1627	2.94
1955-56	462	1529	3.30	462	1628	3.52	552	1772	3.21	552	1771	3.20
1956-57	462	1612	3.48	462	1644	3.55	552	1760	3.18	552	1841	3.33
1957-58	462	1721	3.72	462	1637	3.54	552	1701	3.08	552	1783	3.23
Third Div.												
1958-59	462	1692	3.65	462	1604	3.47	552	1733	3.13	552	1734	3.25
1959-60	462	1618	3.50	462	1565	3.38	552	1816	3.28	552	1794	3.14
1960-61	462	1724	3.73	462	1609	3.48	552	1842	3.33	552	1810	3.27
1961-62	462	1582	3.42	462	1473	3.18	552	1772	3.21	506	1690	3.33
1962-63	462	1536	3.32	462	1496	3.23	552	1855	3.36	552	1755	3.17
1963-64	462	1571	3.40	462	1467	3.17	552	1730	3.13	552	1631	2.95
1964-65	462	1543	3.34	462	1470	3.18	552	1667	3.02	552	1820	3.29
1965-66	462	1457	3.15	462	1421	3.08	552	1628	2.95	552	1723	3.12
1966-67	462	1387	3.00	462	1361	2.95	552	1646	2.98	552	1500	2.72
1967-68	462	1398	3.03	462	1303	2.82	552	1531	2.77	552	1485	2.69
1968-69	462	1213	2.63	462	1185	2.56	552	1426	2.58	552	1372	2.49
1969-70	462	1212	2.62	462	1207	2.61	552	1460	2.64	552	1464	2.65
1970-71	462	1089	2.36	462	1141	2.47	552	1372	2.49	552	1527	2.77
1971-72	462	1160	2.51	462	1194	2.58	552	1407	2.55	552	1496	2.71
1972-73	462	1160	2.51	462	1156	2.50	552	1371	2.48	552	1347	2.44
1973-74	462	1107	2.40	462	1106	2.39	552	1362	2.47	552	1362	2.47
1974-75	462	1213	2.63	462	1026	2.22	552	1427	2.59	552	1407	2.55
1975-76	462	1230	2.66	462	1106	2.39	552	1450	2.63	552	1441	2.61
1976-77	462	1183	2.56	462	1279	2.77	552	1442	2.61	552	1443	2.61
1977-78	462	1231	2.66	462	1235	2.67	552	1363	2.47	552	1427	2.59
1978-79	462	1218	2.64	462	1174	2.54	552	1388	2.51	552	1409	2.55
1979-80	462	1159	2.51	462	1162	2.52	552	1423	2.58	552	1460	2.64
1980-81	462	1228	2.66	462	1073	2.32	552	1337	2.42	552	1364	2.47
1981-82	462	1173	2.54	462	1170	2.53	552	1421	2.57	552	1512	2.74
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The Foreign Influence

BY KEN GOLDMAN

With the successful introduction of Allan Simonsen the 1977 European Footballer of the Year, into the Charlton side it is perhaps a good time to reflect on those foreign players who have "made it" in our League and those who have not.

Whatever the merits or demerits of bringing foreign players to these shores, particularly those from the Common Market, who in any event have the right to enter and work here, there can be no doubt that a considerable amount of colour has been added to the "Soccer Scene".

The major successes have of course been Argentinians, Osvaldo Ardiles and Ricky Villa at Spurs, a partnership which has undergone a temporary break through the hostilities in the Falklands, and Arnold Muhren once of Ipswich now of Manchester United and Frans Thijssen still of Ipswich, who both hail from Holland.

Indeed Thijssen became the first player not from the British Isles to win the Football Writers' Footballer of the Year Trophy since Bert Trautmann of Manchester City won it way back in 1956.

There have been numerous other Dutch, Belgian and Yugoslav footballers who have graced our teams either temporarily or permanently but there have been others who have come here with high hopes which did not last over-long.

Alberto Tarrantini a member of the Argentinian World Cup winning team of 1978 had a short tempestuous stay with Birmingham City and another Argentinian Alex Sabella, an extremely gifted forward, had his "hour upon the stage" with Sheffield United and Leeds but regretfully for those who appreciated his skill, also moved on.

Kasimir Deyna, one of Poland's top players remained at Manchester City only a comparatively short space of time, not really ever commanding an assured first team place, while Rafael Villazan was a Uruguayan who had a season with Wolves and then left without making any real impact.

Perhaps one of the most disappointed players never to make it in England was Avi Cohen from Israel who rather surprisingly was born in Egypt in 1956. Standing almost 6 feet and weighing nearly 12 stone he was light and agile on his feet and playing so well for Israeli Club, Maccabi Tel Aviv that he attracted the attention of several English clubs.

The glamour of Liverpool prevailed and he signed for them in July 1979 for a £200,000 fee, helping them to record a 12th League Championship title when he scored in their match with Aston Villa which clinched the title.

A versatile player capable of playing fullback, midfield or orthodox sweeper he could not

overcome Liverpool's vast squad strength and like so many others, including several internationals, was confined to their reserves.

Eventually he left with much regret on both sides as did Moshe Gariani who had also come from Maccabi Tel Aviv and Jacob Cohen who had been transferred from Maccabi Netanya, both of whom had been secured by Brighton. These players also only remained just over a season before returning to Israel.

Although Avi Cohen was the first Israeli to sign for an English club there had been strong links between English and Israeli football for some time. Another Israeli star of the 1960's Mordecai Spiegler would have joined West Ham if it had not been for the various inter-League regulations, work permit difficulties and other "red tape".

With players from England, Scotland, Wales, Northern and Southern Ireland, as well as a host of Countries both in and out of the Common Market, our domestic game must be just about the most cosmopolitan in the world.

Whether our Football League can boast the most skilful league in the world is open to argument but certainly there can be no doubt it is the hardest. No other European Country has a 22 or even a 24 team league and no teams are put under quite such pressure. Foreign players bring new dimensions to the game and doubtless over the coming years, we will see a lot more of them in English football.



Ossie Ardiles — perhaps the greatest success.



BENNO AT LARGE

GATES TOP

Football received the boost it so badly needed over the Christmas holiday programme when more than 700,000 fans turned out for the Boxing Day League programme. It was the first time that crowds had passed the 500,000 mark during the whole of 1982.

And even more pleasing was that the trend continued into 1983 with the New Year's Day fixtures attracting another bumper gate of 520,889 and that was the first time that the half-million figure had been exceeded on a Saturday since November 1, 1981.

All very encouraging news for the industry. There were 51,497 at Highbury for the North London derby with Tottenham; 43,864 at St Andrews for the Midland derby between Birmingham City and Aston Villa and 44,664 at Anfield for the visit of Manchester City. And lower down the scale Portsmouth beat Plymouth 2-1 in front of 15,856 fans, their biggest crowd of the season.

NO SPANISH GOLD

Did you hear the news that the Football Association anticipate that their profit from last summer's World Cup adventure in Spain will be a disappointing £100,000. England's share of the proceeds from FIFA was £500,000, most of which has evaporated into running costs.

The major expenses incurred were players bonuses, compensation to clubs for the use of their players and hotel and travelling costs, but it would seem that the income from World Cup Final tournaments is not keeping abreast of inflation.

This series — the biggest ever staged — should theoretically have generated more cash than ever before. For a start there were more matches but the revenue does not seem to have increased. It was impossible in Spain to get an actual attendance figure at the matches but from my own observation the games were very poorly supported by the Spanish public.

It is interesting to relate that Scotland returned from Argentina, having been eliminated in the first round, with £300,000. And from the 1964 Finals in West Germany when they went out again at the first hurdle, Scotland's income was £250,000 . . . Clearly World Cup finances have failed to keep abreast of inflation.

STRIKERS

Ten Weymouth footballers who earned fame by helping to defeat Cardiff City in the Second Round of the FA Cup this season made the history books by becoming the first players in the history of the English game to go on strike. Their strike over car expenses caused the cancellation of an Alliance Premier League away match against Maidstone.

Such actions are not uncommon in South America where Penarol, the South American Champions refused to put on their boots. The players claimed that they had not received bonus payments of 10,000 dollars each, which their directors had promised them after they beat Aston Villa to win the World Club Championship in Tokyo.

BITTER!

Mick Channon once of Southampton, Manchester City and England played for his third new club of the season when he pulled on the yellow and green shirt of Norwich City. First it had been Newcastle United of the Second Division, then Bristol Rovers of the Third and finally at the age of 34, Norwich re-opened the door to the First Division when they gave him a one month contract.

"I am not concerned about my age, that doesn't come into it," said the former England striker. "It is all a matter of whether I can still do the job on the pitch, that is what matters, and that is down to me."

With the match winning goals against Luton Town and Swansea City in successive games Channon seemed to be proving the point quite adequately. The winner against struggling Swansea was a typical example of Mick's opportunism. John Deehan shot from the edge of the area, the ball deflecting off a Swansea defender. Even so Welsh international goalkeeper Dai Davies was there and seemingly had the ball well covered as he dived to intercept. Incredibly he let it roll from his grasp and there was the ever alert Channon to tap it into the net.

Not surprisingly it was Channon who was hauled before the arc lights of the TV crew after the game, the hero of the hour. As he returned through the passage he met a stern faced Dai Davies. The Welsh 'keeper sidled up to Channon and said: "When you sign that new contract remember me. That goal today will cost you a drink."



Mick Channon received a helping hand from Dai Davies

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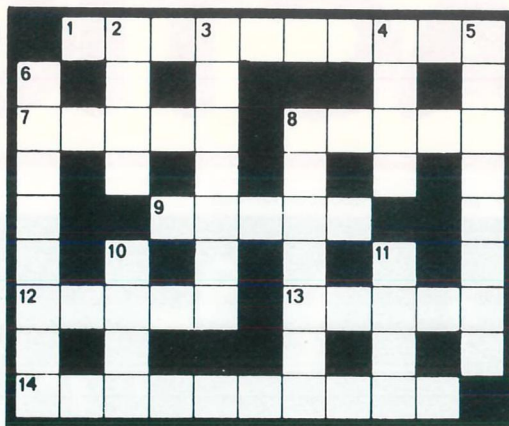
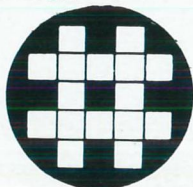
QUICK QUIZ No. 16

1. Who were League champions before each wartime break?
2. Which two Harry's successively managed Swansea?
3. They were "The Colliers" . . . but what are they now?
4. The six-yard box is how many yards *wide*?
5. Who are the reigning Olympic soccer champions?

ON THE BALL No. 16

Every answer has five letters and the first one
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1. A defensive position (6,4)
7. Regally-named striker who reigned with Coventry, Sheffield United, Newcastle and Stoke (5)
8. Utility player whose career ran from the 50s to the 70s with Southport, Rotherham, Carlisle and Exeter (5)
9. — — — Harrison holds Walsall's aggregate appearances record (5)
12. Former Villa defender who was ever-present with Halifax last season (5)
13. Cardiff-born brothers David and Paul began their careers at Ninian Park (5)
14. Club for whom Jim Montgomery holds the appearances record (10)

Down

2. Sides usually have their favourite ones! (4)
3. The nickname of Dundee United (7)
4. Celtic dumped this club out of the European Cup this season (4)
5. Club which has reached the last round (8)
6. Target-men . . . at least, they're expected to be on it (8)
8. Hans-Peter — — —, experienced West Germany defender who was a 1982 World Cup 5 down (7)
10. Former Leeds man who was one of the Bristol City 'eight' (he went on to Barnsley) (4)
11. Woollett or Wooler (4)



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DIVISION THREE (NORTH)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bradford P.A.	42	27	9	6	101	45	63
Lincoln City	42	24	7	11	91	64	55
Stockport County	42	23	8	11	89	51	54
Doncaster Rovers	42	23	7	12	80	44	53
Tranmere Rovers	42	22	9	11	105	72	53
Bradford City	42	18	12	12	85	60	48
Darlington	42	21	5	16	89	74	47
Southport	42	20	5	17	79	70	45
Accrington Stanley	42	18	8	16	76	67	44
New Brighton	42	14	14	14	72	62	42
Wrexham	42	18	6	18	64	67	42
Halifax Town	42	13	15	14	73	71	41
Rochdale	42	17	7	18	74	77	41
Rotherham United	42	14	11	17	65	69	39
Hartlepool United	42	16	6	20	69	81	38
Chesterfield	42	13	10	19	71	78	36
Crewe Alexander	42	12	10	20	77	86	34
Ashington	42	11	11	20	77	103	33
Barrow	42	10	11	21	54	102	31
Wigan B.	42	10	10	22	56	97	30
Durham City	42	11	7	24	53	100	29
Nelson	42	10	6	26	76	136	26

F.A. CUP

Nov. 26 Rd. 1 Spennymoor (A) 1-0	Jan. 14 Rd. 3 Exeter City (H) 3-3
Dec. 10 Rd. 2 Bradford City (A) 3-2	18 Replay Exeter City (A) 1-3

RESULTS

Aug. 27 Stockport (A) 0-2	Jan. 2 Tranmere (A) 0-2
29 Tranmere (H) 2-1	7 Barrow (A) 1-1
Sept. 3 Barrow (A) 3-0	21 Nelson (H) 4-3
10 Nelson (A) 1-6	Feb. 4 Doncaster (H) 2-1
17 Rochdale (H) 3-1	8 Crewe Alex. (H) 2-3
24 Doncaster (A) 0-2	11 Southport (H) 1-1
Oct. 1 Southport (A) 1-1	18 Durham (A) 1-4
8 Durham (H) 1-1	25 Wrexham (H) 0-1
15 Wrexham (A) 2-3	28 Rochdale (A) 1-2
22 Hartlepoons (H) 5-0	Mar. 3 Hartlepoons (A) 3-1
29 Rotherham (A) 1-3	5 Darlington (H) 3-1
Nov. 5 Wigan B. (H) 6-0	10 Accrington (H) 2-1
12 Lincoln (A) 1-4	14 Bradford City (A) 1-3
19 New Brighton (H) 0-0	17 Wigan Borough (A) 0-0
Dec. 3 Halifax (H) 0-0	24 Hartlepoons (H) 2-4
17 Ashington (H) 1-1	31 New Brighton (A) 1-1
24 Darlington (A) 1-4	Apr. 7 Crewe Alex. (H) 2-0
26 Chesterfield (H) 1-2	9 Bradford (H) 1-0
27 Chesterfield (A) 5-2	10 Bradford (A) 1-3
31 Stockport (H) 0-1	14 Halifax (A) 0-0
	21 Chesterfield (H) 0-0
	28 Ashington (A) 0-6

APPEARANCES

Atter J.T.	39	Bailey H.	40
Best J.	3	Chilton J.	10
Clayton A.	42	Davies A.	3
Dronsfeld E.	8	Hall J.	15
Hemingway J.C.	23	Higginbottom E.	11
Jackson R.	34	Lievesley E.F.	30
Mountney C.T.	2	Parkin A.	11
Phillips W.M.	21	Reed E.	40
Saville W.	4	Sellers W.	18
Scott J.	31	Snee J.	35
Taylor A.	2	Turner J.	40
Webb G.	2		

GOALSCORERS

Scott 17, Lievesley 10, Clayton 9, Hall 6, Phillips 6, Parkin 5, Hemingway 4, Bailey 2, Chilton 2, Higginbottom 2, Sellers 1.

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PERSONALITY PAGE

By David Watson

TOM SPENCER — A DEBT REPAID



Glaswegian Tom Spencer came to Millmoor in 1974 as a central defender but he had started his professional career as a centre-forward with Glasgow Celtic.

As a boy he was a keen Celtic supporter. His goal-scoring feats with Glasgow amateur team Neilston Juniors attracted interest from both Everton and Bolton Wanderers, but Celtic's invitation in 1963 was the one he accepted.

For two seasons he played regularly with the Reserve team and scored a lot of goals, but the club had such a large pool of players that he never got an opportunity to play in the first-team. When Jock Stein was appointed manager he made drastic reductions in the size of the playing staff and Tom was one of those released. So in June 1976 he joined Southampton at a time when they had just completed their first-ever season in Division I. He found his League opportunities limited because he had to compete for a striking role with such established stars as Martin Chivers, Ron Davies, and Norman Dean. He was anxious to have regular first team football so after one season at The Dell he moved to York City. He spent nearly two years there before joining Workington Town in March 1968. It was during the four seasons at Workington that he became a central defender. Early in 1972 he was transferred to Lincoln City and in a promotion-battle against Peterborough scored twice from the centre-half position, and only the intervention of a post prevented what would have been his first League hat-trick.

Lincoln gave Tom a free transfer at the end of the 1973/74 season. He was feeling a bit uncertain about his future in the game when manager Jim McGuigan invited him to come to Millmoor for him to see the set-up here and decide whether he would join the club. He played in the pre-season practice games, saw the club had some promising young players, and thought there was a lot of potential about the place. So he signed for the Millers in July 1974.

He found there was the proper proportion of experience in the team and of the youngsters, Trev Womble with his all-action style and infectious enthusiasm was an outstanding contributor. The team was bubbling with confidence and by the turn of the year was one of the front-runners in the Division. In January the acquisition of Dick Habbins to lead the attack was the final strengthening needed to enable promotion to Division 3 to be won in his first season here.

Tom was a big, strong player with a skill on the ball from his centre-forward days not usually found in defenders of his size. He was thoroughly consistent and dependable and his presence in the team encouraged the youngsters Paul Stancliffe and John Breckin to have confidence to develop their own styles in the knowledge that Tom would ensure everything was all right behind them.

He was given a free transfer from Millmoor in the summer of 1977 and was working at Worktop Leisure Centre in 1981 when he accepted an offer from manager Terry Cooper to become the Youth Development Officer at Bristol Rovers. He was therefore able to put to good effect the coaching qualification he had earned whilst at Millmoor. Unfortunately the job didn't last as long as he would have wanted it to do because after only a few months manager Cooper was sacked, so Tom also had to leave the club.

He is now coach to Worktop Town in the Northern Premier League, and also coaches a Worktop under-12s team. He keeps in contact with his former skipper Jimmy Goodfellow and calls at Millmoor fairly frequently for a chat with his pals here. He will always be grateful to Rotherham United for giving him a new challenge at a time when his future in the game was looking uncertain, and which resulted in him having the most successful years of his career. But any debt of gratitude he might have owed was amply repaid in the 142 games he played for the club, and by the strength and stability he brought to the defence which played a big part in the team's promotion in 1975.

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REAL FIRE MILLER MAN

Ian Alexander

For Ian Alexander this could well turn out to be one of the most important years of his life — or so he may feel when he looks back on his career eventually. Most important, because it has been a hard slogging year.

Young Ian made a big impact when he arrived here from Scotland at the start of last season and developed something of a goal scoring reputation in

his early reserve team games. Indeed he had a three game 1st team run in October and two more games at the end of January. But, as can often happen with young players through a variety of circumstances, Ian hit a plateau and dropped out of the picture somewhat. It's all part of learning the trade of course and those who frequent our second team matches will tell you of recent strides that give indications that Ian's

personal graph is rising once more. The thing that most excites about Ian is his pace on the ball, for when he's in full cry there is not a doubt that he comes into the "catcher of pigeons" category. Add to that, when he's on form, a genuine eye and ability for finishing and you have the nucleus of a potential fine striker.

Of course, he knows it's not easy and has learned much in his time here. Now the question is can he start putting it all together consistently and once again press for a first team place. As with all young players at Millmoor, time and his own application and effort, will alone show.



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1982/83	F	A	Gate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Aug	28	Opponents													
Sept	31	Fulham	1	1	7,021	Mimms	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Fern	McEwan
	4	Leicester City	1	3	9,254	Mimms	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Fern
	7	Crystal Palace	2	2	6,989	Mimms	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	11	Oldham Athletic	2	1	4,261	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	18	Burnley	2	0	9,099	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	25	Cambridge United	2	0	6,854	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
Oct	2	Wolverhampton W.	0	2	16,377	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	5	Newcastle United	1	5	12,436	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	9	Queens Park Rangers MC2 (1L)	2	1	5,603	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	16	Bolton Wanderers	2	2	6,577	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	23	Barnsley	1	0	13,791	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	26	Shrewsbury Town	1	0	3,926	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	28	Queens Park Rangers MC2 (2L)	0	2	9,653	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
Nov	30	Middlesbrough	0	1	8,135	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	6	Queens Park Rangers	0	1	7,402	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	10	Liverpool MC3	0	0	20,142	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	13	Carlisle United	0	2	5,294	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	20	Charlton Athletic	5	1	6,761	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
Dec	27	Chelsea	1	0	8,793	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	11	Derby County	0	3	13,149	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	14	Leeds United	0	1	13,034	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	18	Blackburn Rovers	0	3	6,333	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	27	Sheffield Wednesday	3	0	9,231	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
Jan	28	Sheffield Wednesday	1	0	25,024	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	3	Charlton Athletic	1	0	8,798	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	10	Crystal Palace	1	1	7,704	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	15	Shrewsbury Town FAC3	1	2	6,027	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	18	Fulham	0	1	7,667	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	25	Cambridge United	0	2	3,090	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
Feb	22	Oldham Athletic	1	3	6,352	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	5	Burnley W.	1	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
Mar	19	Barnsley	1	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	26	Shrewsbury Town	5	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	12	Middlesbrough (FA 6)	19	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	19	Queens Park Rangers	19	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
April	26	Cardiff United (MC F)	26	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	4	Sheffield Wednesday	4	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	9	Grimsey Town	9	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	16	Wolverhampton W.	16	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	23	Leicester C. (FA SF)	23	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
May	30	Derby County	30	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	6	Blackburn Rovers	6	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	14	Leeds United	14	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
	21	FA Cup Final	21	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
Nov.	15	Richard Finney Testimonial	15	1	6,079	Moutford	Forrest	Breckin	Hughes	Stanciliffe	Green	Towner	Gow	Moore	Gooding
		Aston Villa 1-3 (Durham)													
		To be arranged													
		Newcastle United													

MILLERS TO FORM SENIOR CITIZENS SECTION

Following an explanatory and well attended meeting held the other Wednesday, The Millers are to press ahead with plans to form a Senior Citizens section.

This is a further development of the Club and Community Programme which the club is pursuing. John Adams says, "We are very keen to develop our Community Contact and having now a Junior Club, a Supporters Club, and schemes for the unemployed in the process of development, it was felt proper to also develop contacts with our longest standing support — the senior citizens".

At the inaugural meeting these ideas were outlined and an enthusiastic response has led to the holding of a secondary meeting, open to all interested senior citizens in the club's pub's club room at the Millmoor Hotel at 2.30 p.m. on February 23rd. All Senior Citizens with an interest in the club are invited to attend when Senior Club Officials will be on hand to further outline plans and deal with questions.

In the fullness of time the club hopes that the Senior Citizens will follow the Club's junior section, Millers United, and elect their own officials to organise a programme of events of specific interest to those joining the section.

So, if you're over retiring age and interested in the Millers, pop along on the 23rd and we'll be pleased to see you.

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lan Boardman.

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Dear Mr. J. Adams,

My name is Carol Brook, I am 18 years old. I would like a penfriend from any Rotherham supporter.

I am a Rotherham fan and I saw them play once at Huddersfield Town (1981). I look for the result on a Saturday.

Mr. Adams, could you put it in one of the programmes please.

Yours faithfully,

Miss C. Brook.

No sooner said than done Carol. Anyone wishing to write should contact Carol direct.

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- 8 GERRY GOW
- 9 RONNIE MOORE
- 10 PHIL WALKER
- 11 JOE McBRIDE
- 12

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- 2 STEVE WHITWORTH
- 3 RAY DEAKIN
- 4 TONY HENRY
- 5 PAUL JONES
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